## Nine Things You Never Knew Your Library Card Offered

Everyone knows King County Library System is the best at offering great books and programs for all ages. Most also know you can get the latest CDs and DVDs. Only a select few know your library card also offers these incredible features, as well!

- Consumer Reports access! Next time you're looking for a new dishwasher, auto insurance, or any consumer product, head to <u>www.kcls.org</u> > Online Library > Consumer & Automotive > Consumer Reports. Log in with your library card and you've got full access to their helpful reviews.
- 2. Lynda: Online courses, classes, training, and tutorials for software, creative and business skills. Learn to create an Excel spreadsheet, use Garage Band, take great digital photos, develop a marketing plan and MORE. A robust and expensive teaching database available to you at no cost when you use your library card!
- 3. Adobe Software for free on KCLS public computers!
  - a. Adobe Photoshop is photo editing software
  - b. Adobe InDesign is desktop publishing software
  - c. Adobe Illustrator is graphics design software
  - d. Pro tip: You can use Lynda tutorials (see #2) to learn how to use this Adobe software!
- 4. Downloadable materials for your mobile devices. Available on the website under Online Library.
  - a. Check out eBooks and eAudiobooks 24/7 through KCLS' Overdrive catalog
  - b. RBdigital lets you view and download the latest issues of popular magazines for FREE.
  - c. Streaming music, movies and graphic novels available through our Hoopla subscription.
- 5. Business and Investing Databases. Proprietary databases, like Reference USA, Valueline, and Morningstar, offer more authoritative and robust ways to look up business and investment information.
- 6. Free Museum Passes. Get free museum passes to Bellevue Art Museum, Washington State History Museum and KidsQuest Children's Museum via kcls.org, using . . . , you guessed it! Your library card.
- 7. Personalized Book Recommendations via BookMatch. Have you read all the books by your favorite author, or are you looking for something new and different to read? Tap into a wealth of librarian knowledge by using our BookMatch form, 24/7.
  - a. KCLS also provides 24/7 Reference service via chat or email!
- 8. Tutor.com. Kids struggling with homework? Use KCLS' FREE online tutoring service from Tutor.com. One-on-one tutoring from for students in grades K-12, entry level college, and adult learners- available daily from 2 pm-midnight.
- Language Learning with Mango. Use our free interactive language learning database online, or download the app to your mobile device. Mango languages will get you on the right track with personalized courses.

This only scratches the surface of all KCLS provides our members. Drop by your local library today to pick-up a library card – free to any King County resident. The world awaits!